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AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

I. Please modify the below paragraph in the specification as indicated below:

[0041] Note, however, that means other than NMOS device 550 can be employed as well to achieve the prevention of floating input to the inverter 441 of FIG. 5A. For example, as shown in Fig. 5B, a simple resistor that is tied across the input of the inverter 441 (node 203) and ground may equally serve the same function. However, as is aware to those skilled in the art, the fabrication of an NMOS transistor for this purpose is not necessarily more complex and expensive than a resistor.